

fact, all the plants examined had merely dry shriveled and hollow ovaries. This uniform sterility of *S. oreopolus* throughout its known range suggests that it may not be a self-perpetuating species; yet, if this should prove to be the case, the profusion of the plant throughout the area and the constancy with which it maintains its characteristic pubescence and the color of its perianth is indeed remarkable. It is of course possible that the sterility of the plants in 1906 was exceptional and due perhaps to the extremely dry weather during early summer, the valley of the lower St. Lawrence experiencing a drouth quite unprecedented in that ordinarily cold and humid region, or that it depends for fertilization upon some insect which was affected by the adverse season; but the abundant fruiting of *S. roseus* and *S. amplexifolius* indicates that the unusual dryness had no adverse effect upon those species.

It is worth recording that in the mountains of Gaspé *Streptopus amplexifolius* and *S. roseus*, as well as *S. oreopolus*, show a great variation in size. All three plants in rich subalpine woods become very tall and branched, often 1 m. or more in height, but in alpine situations they are much reduced, the simple or subsimple stems 2 or 3 dm. high.—M. L. FERNALD, Gray Herbarium.

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